Unofficial Utah Lead-Based Paint Rule

This unofficial version of Utah Administrative Rule R307-840, *Lead-Based Paint Accreditation*, *Certification and Work Practice Standards* incorporates changes made by the Utah LBP rule to the Federal LBP regulation (40 CFR 745 Subpart L). The Utah Rule substantially adopted the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) regulation published in the Federal Register, August 29, 1996 by reference and modified the regulation to facilitate program operation in Utah. The following version of the rule begins with the USEPA LBP regulation and includes underlined text (e.g. Rule R307-840 establishes) which indicates text added to the federal regulation by the Utah rule and strike out-text (e.g. This subpart contains) which indicates text deleted from the federal regulation by the Utah rule.

The purpose of this unofficial version of the rule is to create an easily read, complete and accurate version of the rule which shows modifications made to the Federal LBP regulation. An official version of the Utah LBP rule can be found at the Utah Administrative Rules web site at www.rules.state.ut.us/publicat/code/r307/r307-840.htm.

Sec. 745.220 Scope and applicability.

- (a) <u>Rule R307-840 establishes</u> This subpart contains procedures and requirements for the accreditation of lead-based paint activities training programs, procedures and requirements for the certification of individuals and firms engaged in lead-based paint activities, and work practice standards for performing such activities. This <u>rule subpart</u> also requires that, except as <u>outlined in</u> (2) <u>discussed below</u>, all lead-based paint activities, as defined in this <u>rule subpart</u>, <u>must</u> be performed by certified individuals and firms.
- (b) R307-840 This subpart applies to all individuals and firms who are engaged in lead-based paint activities as defined in R307-840-2 Sec. 745.223, except persons who perform these activities within residential dwellings that they own, unless the residential dwelling is occupied by a person or persons other than the owner or the owner's immediate family while these activities are being performed, or a child residing in the building has been identified as having an elevated blood lead level. This subpart applies only in those States or Indian Country that do not have an authorized State or Tribal program pursuant to Sec. 745.324 of subpart Q.
- (c) Each department, agency, and instrumentality of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the Federal Government having jurisdiction over any property or facility, or engaged in any activity resulting, or which may result, in a lead-based paint hazard, and each officer, agent, or employee thereof shall be subject to, and comply with, all Federal, State, interstate, and local requirements, both substantive and procedural, including the requirements of R307-840 this subpart regarding lead-based paint, lead-based paint activities, and lead-based paint hazards.
- (d) While <u>Rule R307-840</u> this subpart establishes specific requirements for performing lead-based paint activities should they be undertaken, nothing in <u>R307-840</u> this subpart requires that the owner or occupant undertake any particular lead-based paint activity.

Sec. 745.223 Definitions.

The definitions in subpart A apply to this subpart. In addition, the following definitions apply. Abatement means any measure or set of measures designed to permanently eliminate lead-based paint hazards. Abatement includes, but is not limited to:

- (1) The removal of lead-based paint and lead-contaminated dust, the permanent enclosure or encapsulation of lead-based paint, the replacement of lead-painted surfaces or fixtures, and the removal or covering of lead-contaminated soil; and
- (2) All preparation, cleanup, disposal, and post-abatement clearance testing activities associated with such measures.
 - (3) Specifically, abatement includes, but is not limited to:
- (i) Projects for which there is a written contract or other documentation, which provides that an individual or firm will be conducting activities in or to a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility that:
 - (A) Shall result in the permanent elimination of lead-based paint hazards; or
- (B) Are designed to permanently eliminate lead-based paint hazards and are described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this definition.
- (ii) Projects resulting in the permanent elimination of lead-based paint hazards, conducted by firms or individuals certified in accordance with Sec. 745.226, unless such projects are covered by
- paragraph (4) of this definition;
- (iii) Projects resulting in the permanent elimination of lead-based paint hazards, conducted by firms or individuals who, through their company name or promotional literature, represent, advertise, or hold themselves out to be in the business of performing lead-based paint activities as identified and defined by this section, unless such projects are covered by paragraph (4) of this definition; or
- (iv) Projects resulting in the permanent elimination of lead-based paint hazards, that are conducted in response to State or local abatement orders.
- (4) Abatement does not include renovation, remodeling, landscaping or other activities, when such activities are not designed to permanently eliminate lead-based paint hazards, but, instead, are designed to repair, restore, or remodel a given structure or dwelling, even though these activities may incidentally result in a reduction or elimination of lead-based paint hazards. Furthermore, abatement does not include interim controls, operations and maintenance activities, or other measures and activities designed to temporarily, but not permanently, reduce lead-based paint hazards.

Accredited training program means a training program that has been accredited by <u>Executive Secretary EPA</u> pursuant to Sec. 745.225 to provide training for individuals engaged in lead-based paint activities.

Adequate quality control means a plan or design which ensures the authenticity, integrity, and accuracy of samples, including dust, soil, and paint chip or paint film samples. Adequate quality control also includes provisions for representative sampling.

Certified firm means a company, partnership, corporation, sole proprietorship, association, or other business entity that performs lead-based paint activities to which <u>Executive Secretary EPA</u> has issued a certificate of approval pursuant to Sec. 745.226(f).

Certified inspector means an individual who has been trained by an accredited training program, as defined by this section, and certified by Executive Secretary EPA pursuant to Sec. 745.226 to conduct inspections. A certified inspector also samples for the presence of lead in dust and soil for the purposes of abatement clearance testing.

Certified abatement worker means an individual who has been trained by an accredited training program, as defined by this section, and certified by <u>Executive Secretary EPA</u> pursuant to Sec. 745.226 to perform abatements.

Certified project designer means an individual who has been trained by an accredited training program, as defined by this section, and certified by <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> pursuant to Sec. 745.226 to prepare abatement project designs, occupant protection plans, and abatement reports.

Certified risk assessor means an individual who has been trained by an accredited training program, as defined by this section, and certified by Executive Secretary EPA pursuant to Sec. 745.226 to conduct risk assessments. A risk assessor also samples for the presence of lead in dust and soil for the purposes of abatement clearance testing.

Certified supervisor means an individual who has been trained by an accredited training program, as defined by this section, and certified by <u>Executive Secretary EPA</u> pursuant to Sec. 745.226 to supervise and conduct abatements, and to prepare occupant protection plans and abatement reports.

Child-occupied facility means a building, or portion of a building, constructed prior to 1978, visited regularly by the same child, 6 years of age or under, on at least two different days within any week (Sunday through Saturday period), provided that each day's visit lasts at least 3 hours and the combined weekly visit lasts at least 6 hours, and the combined annual visits last at least 60 hours. Child-occupied facilities may include, but are not limited to, day-care centers, preschools and kindergarten classrooms.

Clearance levels are values that indicate the maximum amount of lead permitted in dust on a surface following completion of an abatement activity.

Common area means a portion of a building that is generally accessible to all occupants. Such an area may include, but is not limited to, hallways, stairways, laundry and recreational rooms, playgrounds, community centers, garages, and boundary fences.

Component or building component means specific design or structural elements or fixtures of a building, residential dwelling, or child-occupied facility that are distinguished from each other by form, function, and location. These include, but are not limited to, interior components such as: ceilings, crown molding, walls, chair rails, doors, door trim, floors, fireplaces, radiators and other heating units, shelves, shelf supports, stair treads, stair risers, stair stringers, newel posts, railing caps, balustrades, windows and trim (including sashes, window heads, jambs, sills or stools and troughs), built in cabinets, columns, beams, bathroom vanities, counter tops, and air conditioners; and exterior components such as: painted roofing, chimneys, flashing, gutters and downspouts, ceilings, soffits, fascias, rake boards, cornerboards, bulkheads, doors and door trim, fences, floors, joists, lattice work, railings and railing caps, siding, handrails, stair risers and treads, stair stringers, columns, balustrades, window sills or stools and troughs, casings, sashes

and wells, and air conditioners.

Containment means a process to protect workers and the environment by controlling exposures to the lead-contaminated dust and debris created during an abatement.

Course agenda means an outline of the key topics to be covered during a training course, including the time allotted to teach each topic.

Course test means an evaluation of the overall effectiveness of the training which shall test the trainees' knowledge and retention of the topics covered during the course.

Course test blue print means written documentation identifying the proportion of course test questions devoted to each major topic in the course curriculum.

Deteriorated paint means paint that is cracking, flaking, chipping, peeling, or otherwise separating from the substrate of a building component.

Discipline means one of the specific types or categories of lead-based paint activities identified in this subpart for which individuals may receive training from accredited programs and become certified by <u>Executive Secretary EPA</u>. For example, ``abatement worker'' is a discipline.

Distinct painting history means the application history, as indicated by its visual appearance or a record of application, over time, of paint or other surface coatings to a component or room.

Documented methodologies are methods or protocols used to sample for the presence of lead in paint, dust, and soil.

Elevated blood lead level (EBL) means an excessive absorption of lead that is a confirmed concentration of lead in whole blood of 20 $\mu g/dl$ (micrograms of lead per deciliter of whole blood) for a single venous test or of 15-19 $\mu g/dl$ in two consecutive tests taken 3 to 4 months apart.

Encapsulant means a substance that forms a barrier between lead-based paint and the environment using a liquid-applied coating (with or without reinforcement materials) or an adhesively bonded covering material.

Encapsulation means the application of an encapsulant.

Enclosure means the use of rigid, durable construction materials that are mechanically fastened to the substrate in order to act as a barrier between lead-based paint and the environment.

Guest instructor means an individual designated by the training program manager or principal instructor to provide instruction specific to the lecture, hands-on activities, or work practice components of a course.

Hands-on skills assessment means an evaluation which tests the trainees' ability to satisfactorily perform the work practices and procedures identified in Sec. 745.225(d), as well as any other skill taught in a training course.

Hazardous waste means any waste as defined in 40 CFR 261.3.

Inspection means a surface-by-surface investigation to determine the presence of lead-based paint and the provision of a report explaining the results of the investigation.

Interim certification means the status of an individual who has successfully completed the appropriate training course in a discipline from an accredited training program, as defined by this section, but has not yet received formal certification in that discipline from Executive Secretary EPA pursuant to Sec. 745.226. Interim certifications expire 6 months after the completion of the training course, and is equivalent to a certificate for the 6-month period.

Interim controls means a set of measures designed to temporarily reduce human exposure or

likely exposure to lead-based paint hazards, including specialized cleaning, repairs, maintenance, painting, temporary containment, ongoing monitoring of lead-based paint hazards or potential hazards, and the establishment and operation of management and resident education programs.

Lead-based paint means paint or other surface coatings that contain lead equal to or in excess of 1.0 milligrams per square centimeter or more than 0.5 percent by weight.

Lead-based paint activities means, in the case of target housing and child-occupied facilities, inspection, risk assessment, and abatement, as defined in this subpart.

Lead-based paint hazard means any condition that causes exposure to lead from lead-contaminated dust, lead-contaminated soil, or lead-contaminated paint that is deteriorated or present in accessible surfaces, friction surfaces, or impact surfaces that would result in adverse human health effects as identified by the Administrator pursuant to <u>Guidance on Identification of Lead-Based Paint Hazards (Federal Register, Vol. 60, No. 175, Pgs. 47248-57)</u> TSCA section 403.

Lead-contaminated dust means surface dust in residential dwellings, or child-occupied facilities that contains an area or mass concentration of lead at or in excess of levels identified by the Administrator pursuant to <u>Guidance on Identification of Lead-Based Paint Hazards (Federal Register, Vol. 60, No. 175, Pgs. 47248-57) TSCA section 403</u>.

Lead-contaminated soil means bare soil on residential real property and on the property of a child-occupied facility that contains lead at or in excess of levels identified by the Administrator pursuant to <u>Guidance on Identification of Lead-Based Paint Hazards (Federal Register, Vol. 60, No. 175, Pgs. 47248-57)</u> TSCA section 403.

Lead-hazard screen is a limited risk assessment activity that involves limited paint and dust sampling as described in Sec. 745.227(c).

Living area means any area of a residential dwelling used by one or more children age 6 and under, including, but not limited to, living rooms, kitchen areas, dens, play rooms, and children's bedrooms.

Multi-family dwelling means a structure that contains more than one separate residential dwelling unit, which is used or occupied, or intended to be used or occupied, in whole or in part, as the home or residence of one or more persons.

Paint in poor condition means more than 10 square feet of deteriorated paint on exterior components with large surface areas; or more than 2 square feet of deteriorated paint on interior components with large surface areas (e.g., walls, ceilings, floors, doors); or more than 10 percent of the total surface area of the component is deteriorated on interior or exterior components with small surface areas (window sills, baseboards, soffits, trim).

Permanently covered soil means soil which has been separated from human contact by the placement of a barrier consisting of solid, relatively impermeable materials, such as pavement or concrete. Grass, mulch, and other landscaping materials are not considered permanent covering.

Person means any natural or judicial person including any individual, corporation, partnership, or association; any Indian Tribe, State, or political subdivision thereof; any interstate body; and any department, agency, or instrumentality of the Federal government.

Principal instructor means the individual who has the primary responsibility for organizing and teaching a particular course.

Recognized laboratory means an environmental laboratory recognized by EPA pursuant to TSCA section 405(b) as being capable of performing an analysis for lead compounds in paint, soil, and dust.

Reduction means measures designed to reduce or eliminate human exposure to lead-based paint hazards through methods including interim controls and abatement.

Residential dwelling means (1) a detached single family dwelling unit, including attached structures such as porches and stoops; or (2) a single family dwelling unit in a structure that contains more than one separate residential dwelling unit, which is used or occupied, or intended to be used or occupied, in whole or in part, as the home or residence of one or more persons.

Risk assessment means (1) an on-site investigation to determine the existence, nature, severity, and location of lead-based paint hazards, and (2) the provision of a report by the individual or the firm conducting the risk assessment, explaining the results of the investigation and options for reducing lead-based paint hazards.

Target housing means any housing constructed prior to 1978, except housing for the elderly or persons with disabilities (unless any one or more children age 6 years or under resides or is expected to reside in such housing for the elderly or persons with disabilities) or any 0-bedroom dwelling.

Training curriculum means an established set of course topics for instruction in an accredited training program for a particular discipline designed to provide specialized knowledge and skills.

Training hour means at least 50 minutes of actual learning, including, but not limited to, time devoted to lecture, learning activities, small group activities, demonstrations, evaluations, and/or hands-on experience.

Training manager means the individual responsible for administering a training program and monitoring the performance of principal instructors and guest instructors.

Visual inspection for clearance testing means the visual examination of a residential dwelling or a child-occupied facility following an abatement to determine whether or not the abatement has been successfully completed.

Visual inspection for risk assessment means the visual examination of a residential dwelling or a child-occupied facility to determine the existence of deteriorated lead-based paint or other potential sources of lead-based paint hazards.

Sec. 745.225 Accreditation of training programs: target housing and child-occupied facilities.

- (a) Scope. (1) A training program may seek accreditation to offer lead-based paint activities courses in any of the following disciplines: inspector, risk assessor, supervisor, project designer, and abatement worker. A training program may also seek accreditation to offer refresher courses for each of the above listed disciplines.
- (2) Training programs may first apply to <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA for accreditation of their lead-based paint activities courses or refresher courses pursuant to this section on or after August 31, 1998.
 - (3) A training program shall not provide, offer, or claim to provide Executive Secretary

EPA-accredited lead-based paint activities courses without applying for and receiving accreditation from Executive Secretary EPA as required under paragraph (b) of this section on or after March 1, 1999.

- (b) Application process. The following are procedures a training program shall follow to receive Executive Secretary EPA accreditation to offer lead-based paint activities courses:
- (1) A training program seeking accreditation shall submit a written application to <u>Executive</u> <u>Secretary EPA</u> containing the following information:
 - (i) The training program's name, address, and telephone number.
 - (ii) A list of courses for which it is applying for accreditation.
- (iii) A statement signed by the training program manager certifying that the training program meets the requirements established in paragraph (c) of this section. If a training program uses EPA-recommended model training materials, or training materials approved by a State or Indian Tribe that has been authorized by EPA under subpart Q of this part, the training program manager shall include a statement certifying that, as well.
- (iv) If a training program does not use EPA-recommended model training materials—or training materials approved by an authorized State or Indian Tribe, its application for accreditation shall also include:
 - (A) A copy of the student and instructor manuals, or other materials to be used for each course.
 - (B) A copy of the course agenda for each course.
 - (v) All training programs shall include in their application for accreditation the following:
 - (A) A description of the facilities and equipment to be used for lecture and hands-on training.
 - (B) A copy of the course test blueprint for each course.
- (C) A description of the activities and procedures that will be used for conducting the assessment of hands-on skills for each course.
 - (D) A copy of the quality control plan as described in paragraph (c)(9) of this section.
- (2) If a training program meets the requirements in paragraph (c) of this section, then Executive Secretary EPA shall approve the application for accreditation no more than 180 days after receiving a complete application from the training program. In the case of approval, a certificate of accreditation shall be sent to the applicant. In the case of disapproval, a letter describing the reasons for disapproval shall be sent to the applicant. Prior to disapproval, Executive Secretary EPA may, at its discretion, work with the applicant to address inadequacies in the application for accreditation. Executive Secretary EPA may also request additional materials retained by the training program under paragraph (i) of this section. If a training program's application is disapproved, the program may reapply for accreditation at any time.
- (3) A training program may apply for accreditation to offer courses or refresher courses in as many disciplines as it chooses. A training program may seek accreditation for additional courses at any time as long as the program can demonstrate that it meets the requirements of this section.
- (c) Requirements for the accreditation of training programs. For a training program to obtain accreditation from Executive Secretary EPA to offer lead-based paint activities courses, the program shall meet the following requirements:
 - (1) The training program shall employ a training manager who has:
 - (i) At least 2 years of experience, education, or training in teaching workers or adults; or

- (ii) A bachelor's or graduate degree in building construction technology, engineering, industrial hygiene, safety, public health, education, business administration or program management or a related field; or
- (iii) Two years of experience in managing a training program specializing in environmental hazards; and
- (iv) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in the construction industry including: lead or asbestos abatement, painting, carpentry, renovation, remodeling, occupational safety and health, or industrial hygiene.
- (2) The training manager shall designate a qualified principal instructor for each course who has:
 - (i) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in teaching workers or adults; and
- (ii) Successfully completed at least 16 hours of any <u>Executive Secretary-accredited</u>, EPA-accredited or EPA-authorized State or Tribal-accredited lead-specific training; and
- (iii) Demonstrated experience, education, or training in lead or asbestos abatement, painting, carpentry, renovation, remodeling, occupational safety and health, or industrial hygiene.
- (3) The principal instructor shall be responsible for the organization of the course and oversight of the teaching of all course material. The training manager may designate guest instructors as
- needed to provide instruction specific to the lecture, hands-on activities, or work practice components of a course.
- (4) The following documents shall be recognized by <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> as evidence that training managers and principal instructors have the education, work experience, training requirements or demonstrated experience, specifically listed in paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this section. This documentation need not be submitted with the accreditation application, but, if not submitted, shall be retained by the training program as required by the recordkeeping requirements contained in paragraph (i) of this section. Those documents include the following:
- (i) Official academic transcripts or diploma as evidence of meeting the education requirements.
- (ii) Resumes, letters of reference, or documentation of work experience, as evidence of meeting the work experience requirements.
- (iii) Certificates from train-the-trainer courses and lead-specific training courses, as evidence of meeting the training requirements.
- (5) The training program shall ensure the availability of, and provide adequate facilities for, the delivery of the lecture, course test, hands-on training, and assessment activities. This includes providing training equipment that reflects current work practices and maintaining or updating the equipment and facilities as needed.
- (6) To become accredited in the following disciplines, the training program shall provide training courses that meet the following training hour requirements:
- (i) The inspector course shall last a minimum of 24 training hours, with a minimum of 8 hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the inspector course are contained in paragraph (d)(1) of this section.
- (ii) The risk assessor course shall last a minimum of 16 training hours, with a minimum of 4 hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the risk

assessor course are contained in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

- (iii) The supervisor course shall last a minimum of 32 training hours, with a minimum of 8 hours devoted to hands-on activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the supervisor course are contained in paragraph (d)(3) of this section.
- (iv) The project designer course shall last a minimum of 8 training hours. The minimum curriculum requirements for the project designer course are contained in paragraph (d)(4) of this section.
- (v) The abatement worker course shall last a minimum of 16 training hours, with a minimum of 8 hours devoted to hands-on training activities. The minimum curriculum requirements for the abatement worker course are contained in paragraph (d)(5) of this section.
- (7) For each course offered, the training program shall conduct either a course test at the completion of the course, and if applicable, a hands-on skills assessment, or in the alternative, a proficiency test for that discipline. Each individual must successfully complete the hands-on skills assessment and receive a passing score on the course test to pass any course, or successfully complete a proficiency test.
- (i) The training manager is responsible for maintaining the validity and integrity of the hands-on skills assessment or proficiency test to ensure that it accurately evaluates the trainees' performance of the work practices and procedures associated with the course topics contained in paragraph (d) of this section.
- (ii) The training manager is responsible for maintaining the validity and integrity of the course test to ensure that it accurately evaluates the trainees' knowledge and retention of the course topics.
- (iii) The course test shall be developed in accordance with the test blueprint submitted with the training accreditation application.
- (8) The training program shall issue unique course completion certificates to each individual who passes the training course. The course completion certificate shall include:
 - (i) The name, a unique identification number, and address of the individual.
 - (ii) The name of the particular course that the individual completed.
 - (iii) Dates of course completion/test passage.
- (iv) Expiration date of interim certification, which shall be 6 months from the date of course completion.
 - (v) The name, address, and telephone number of the training program.
- (9) The training manager shall develop and implement a quality control plan. The plan shall be used to maintain and improve the quality of the training program over time. This plan shall contain at least the following elements:
- (i) Procedures for periodic revision of training materials and the course test to reflect innovations in the field.
 - (ii) Procedures for the training manager's annual review of principal instructor competency.
- (10) The training program shall offer courses which teach the work practice standards for conducting lead-based paint activities contained in Sec. 745.227, and other standards developed by EPA pursuant to Title IV of TSCA. These standards shall be taught in the appropriate courses to provide trainees with the knowledge needed to perform the lead-based paint activities they are responsible for conducting.

- (11) The training manager shall be responsible for ensuring that the training program complies at all times with all of the requirements in this section.
- (12) The training manager shall allow <u>Executive Secretary or Executive Secretary's authorized representative EPA</u> to audit the training program to verify the contents of the application for accreditation as described in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (d) Minimum training curriculum requirements. To become accredited to offer lead-based paint courses instruction in the specific disciplines listed below, training programs must ensure that their

courses of study include, at a minimum, the following course topics. Requirements ending in an asterisk (*) indicate areas that require hands-on activities as an integral component of the course.

- (1) Inspector. (i) Role and responsibilities of an inspector.
- (ii) Background information on lead and its adverse health effects.
- (iii) Background information on Federal, State, and local regulations and guidance that pertains to lead-based paint and lead-based paint activities.
- (iv) Lead-based paint inspection methods, including selection of rooms and components for sampling or testing.*
 - (v) Paint, dust, and soil sampling methodologies.*
 - (vi) Clearance standards and testing, including random sampling.*
 - (vii) Preparation of the final inspection report.*
 - (viii) Recordkeeping.
 - (2) Risk assessor. (i) Role and responsibilities of a risk assessor.
 - (ii) Collection of background information to perform a risk assessment.
- (iii) Sources of environmental lead contamination such as paint, surface dust and soil, water, air, packaging, and food.
- (iv) Visual inspection for the purposes of identifying potential sources of lead-based paint hazards.*
 - (v) Lead hazard screen protocol.
 - (vi) Sampling for other sources of lead exposure.*
- (vii) Interpretation of lead-based paint and other lead sampling results, including all applicable State or Federal guidance or regulations pertaining to lead-based paint hazards.*
- (viii) Development of hazard control options, the role of interim controls, and operations and maintenance activities to reduce lead-based paint hazards.
 - (ix) Preparation of a final risk assessment report.
 - (3) Supervisor. (i) Role and responsibilities of a supervisor.
 - (ii) Background information on lead and its adverse health effects.
- (iii) Background information on Federal, State, and local regulations and guidance that pertain to lead-based paint abatement.
 - (iv) Liability and insurance issues relating to lead-based paint abatement.
 - (v) Risk assessment and inspection report interpretation.*
 - (vi) Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan and abatement report.
 - (vii) Lead-based paint hazard recognition and control.*
- (viii) Lead-based paint abatement and lead-based paint hazard reduction methods, including restricted practices.*

- (ix) Interior dust abatement/cleanup or lead-based paint hazard control and reduction methods.*
- (x) Soil and exterior dust abatement or lead-based paint hazard control and reduction methods.*
 - (xi) Clearance standards and testing.
 - (xii) Cleanup and waste disposal.
 - (xiii) Recordkeeping.
 - (4) Project designer. (i) Role and responsibilities of a project designer.
- (ii) Development and implementation of an occupant protection plan for large scale abatement projects.
- (iii) Lead-based paint abatement and lead-based paint hazard reduction methods, including restricted practices for large-scale abatement projects.
- (iv) Interior dust abatement/cleanup or lead hazard control and reduction methods for large-scale abatement projects.
 - (v) Clearance standards and testing for large scale abatement projects.
- (vi) Integration of lead-based paint abatement methods with modernization and rehabilitation projects for large scale abatement projects.
 - (5) Abatement worker. (i) Role and responsibilities of an abatement worker.
 - (ii) Background information on lead and its adverse health effects.
- (iii) Background information on Federal, State and local regulations and guidance that pertain to lead-based paint abatement.
 - (iv) Lead-based paint hazard recognition and control.*
- (v) Lead-based paint abatement and lead-based paint hazard reduction methods, including restricted practices.*
 - (vi) Interior dust abatement methods/cleanup or lead-based paint hazard reduction.*
 - (vii) Soil and exterior dust abatement methods or lead-based paint hazard reduction.*
- (e) Requirements for the accreditation of refresher training programs. A training program may seek accreditation to offer refresher training courses in any of the following disciplines: inspector, risk assessor, supervisor, project designer, and abatement worker. To obtain Executive Secretary EPA accreditation to offer refresher training, a training program must meet the following minimum requirements:
- (1) Each refresher course shall review the curriculum topics of the full-length courses listed under paragraph (d) of this section, as appropriate. In addition, to become accredited to offer refresher training courses, training programs shall ensure that their courses of study include, at a minimum, the following:
- (i) An overview of current safety practices relating to lead-based paint activities in general, as well as specific information pertaining to the appropriate discipline.
- (ii) Current laws and regulations relating to lead-based paint activities in general, as well as specific information pertaining to the appropriate discipline.
- (iii) Current technologies relating to lead-based paint activities in general, as well as specific information pertaining to the appropriate discipline.
- (2) Each refresher course, except for the project designer course, shall last a minimum of 8 training hours. The project designer refresher course shall last a minimum of 4 training hours.

- (3) For each course offered, the training program shall conduct a hands-on assessment (if applicable), and at the completion of the course, a course test.
- (4) A training program may apply for accreditation of a refresher course concurrently with its application for accreditation of the corresponding training course as described in paragraph (b) of this section. If so, Executive Secretary EPA shall use the approval procedure described in paragraph (b) of this section. In addition, the minimum requirements contained in paragraphs (c) (except for the requirements in paragraph (c)(6)), and (e)(1), (e)(2) and (e)(3) of this section shall also apply.
- (5) A training program seeking accreditation to offer refresher training courses only shall submit a written application to <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> containing the following information:
 - (i) The refresher training program's name, address, and telephone number.
 - (ii) A list of courses for which it is applying for accreditation.
- (iii) A statement signed by the training program manager certifying that the refresher training program meets the minimum requirements established in paragraph (c) of this section, except for the requirements in paragraph (c)(6) of this section. If a training program uses EPA-developed model training materials, or training materials approved by a State or Indian Tribe that has been authorized by EPA under Sec. 745.324 to develop its refresher training course materials, the training manager shall include a statement certifying that, as well.
- (iv) If the refresher training course materials are not based on EPA-developed model training materials or training materials approved by an authorized State or Indian Tribe, the training program's application for accreditation shall include:
 - (A) A copy of the student and instructor manuals to be used for each course.
 - (B) A copy of the course agenda for each course.
- (v) All refresher training programs shall include in their application for accreditation the following:
 - (A) A description of the facilities and equipment to be used for lecture and hands-on training.
 - (B) A copy of the course test blueprint for each course.
- (C) A description of the activities and procedures that will be used for conducting the assessment of hands-on skills for each course (if applicable).
 - (D) A copy of the quality control plan as described in paragraph (c)(9) of this section.
- (vi) The requirements in paragraphs (c)(1) through (c)(5), and (c)(7) through (c)(12) of this section apply to refresher training providers.
- (vii) If a refresher training program meets the requirements listed in this paragraph, then Executive Secretary EPA shall approve the application for accreditation no more than 180 days after receiving a complete application from the refresher training program. In the case of approval, a certificate of accreditation shall be sent to the applicant. In the case of disapproval, a letter describing the reasons for disapproval shall be sent to the applicant. Prior to disapproval, Executive Secretary EPA may, at its discretion, work with the applicant to address inadequacies in the application for accreditation. Executive Secretary EPA may also request additional materials retained by the refresher training program under paragraph (i) of this section. If a refresher training program's application is disapproved, the program may reapply for accreditation at any time.
 - (f) Re-accreditation of training programs. (1) Unless re-accredited, a training program's

accreditation (including refresher training accreditation) shall expire 4 years after the date of issuance. If a training program meets the requirements of this section, the training program shall be re-accredited.

- (2) A training program seeking re-accreditation shall submit an application to <u>Executive</u> <u>Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> no later than 180 days before its accreditation expires. If a training program does not submit its application for re-accreditation by that date, <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> cannot guarantee that the program will be re-accredited before the end of the accreditation period.
 - (3) The training program's application for re-accreditation shall contain:
 - (i) The training program's name, address, and telephone number.
 - (ii) A list of courses for which it is applying for re-accreditation.
- (iii) A description of any changes to the training facility, equipment or course materials since its last application was approved that adversely affects the students ability to learn.
 - (iv) A statement signed by the program manager stating:
- (A) That the training program complies at all times with all requirements in paragraphs (c) and (e) of this section, as applicable; and
- (B) The recordkeeping and reporting requirements of paragraph (i) of this section shall be followed.
- (4) Upon request, the training program shall allow <u>Executive Secretary or Executive</u> <u>Secretary's authorized representative</u> <u>EPA</u> to audit the training program to verify the contents of the application for re-accreditation as described in paragraph (f)(3) of this section.
- (g) Suspension, revocation, and modification of accredited training programs. (1) <u>Executive</u> <u>Secretary EPA</u> may, after notice and an opportunity for hearing, suspend, revoke, or modify training program accreditation (including refresher training accreditation) if a training program, training manager, or other person with supervisory authority over the training program has:
- (i) Misrepresented the contents of a training course to Executive Secretary EPA and/or the student population.
 - (ii) Failed to submit required information or notifications in a timely manner.
 - (iii) Failed to maintain required records.
- (iv) Falsified accreditation records, instructor qualifications, or other accreditation-related information or documentation.
 - (v) Failed to comply with the training standards and requirements in this section.
 - (vi) Failed to comply with Federal, State, or local lead-based paint statutes or regulations.
- (vii) Made false or misleading statements to <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA in its application for accreditation or re-accreditation which <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA relied upon in approving the application.
- (2) In addition to an administrative or judicial finding of violation, execution of a consent agreement in settlement of an enforcement action constitutes, for purposes of this section, evidence of a failure to comply with relevant statutes or regulations.
- (h) Procedures for suspension, revocation or modification of training program accreditation.
- (1) Prior to taking action to suspend, revoke, or modify the accreditation of a training program, EPA shall notify the affected entity in writing of the following:
- (i) The legal and factual basis for the suspension, revocation, or modification.
- (ii) The anticipated commencement date and duration of the suspension, revocation, or

modification.

- (iii) Actions, if any, which the affected entity may take to avoid suspension, revocation, or modification, or to receive accreditation in the future.
- (iv) The opportunity and method for requesting a hearing prior to final EPA action to suspend, revoke or modify accreditation.
- (v) Any additional information, as appropriate, which EPA may provide.
- (2) If a hearing is requested by the accredited training program, EPA shall:
- (i) Provide the affected entity an opportunity to offer written statements in response to EPA's assertions of the legal and factual basis for its proposed action, and any other explanations, comments, and arguments it deems relevant to the proposed action.
- (ii) Provide the affected entity such other procedural opportunities as EPA may deem appropriate to ensure a fair and impartial hearing.
- (iii) Appoint an official of EPA as Presiding Officer to conduct the hearing. No person shall serve as Presiding Officer if he or she has had any prior connection with the specific matter.
- (3) The Presiding Officer appointed pursuant to paragraph (h)(2) of this section shall:
- (i) Conduct a fair, orderly, and impartial hearing within 90 days of the request for a hearing.
- (ii) Consider all relevant evidence, explanation, comment, and argument submitted.
- (iii) Notify the affected entity in writing within 90 days of completion of the hearing of his or her decision and order. Such an order is a final agency action which may be subject to judicial review.
- (4) If EPA determines that the public health, interest, or welfare warrants immediate action to suspend the accreditation of any training program prior to the opportunity for a hearing, it shall:
- (i) Notify the affected entity of its intent to immediately suspend training program accreditation for the reasons listed in paragraph (g)(1) of this section. If a suspension, revocation, or modification notice has not previously been issued pursuant to paragraph (g)(1) of this section, it shall be issued at the same time the emergency suspension notice is issued.
- (ii) Notify the affected entity in writing of the grounds for the immediate suspension and why it is necessary to suspend the entity's accreditation before an opportunity for a suspension, revocation or modification hearing.
- (iii) Notify the affected entity of the anticipated commencement date and duration of the immediate suspension.
- (iv) Notify the affected entity of its right to request a hearing on the immediate suspension within 15 days of the suspension taking place and the procedures for the conduct of such a hearing.
- (5) Any notice, decision, or order issued by EPA under this section, any transcripts or other verbatim record of oral testimony, and any documents filed by an accredited training program in a hearing under this section shall be available to the public, except as otherwise provided by section 14 of TSCA or by part 2 of this title. Any such hearing at which oral testimony is presented shall be open to the public, except that the Presiding Officer may exclude the public to the extent necessary to allow presentation of information which may be entitled to confidential treatment under section 14 of TSCA or part 2 of this title.
- (6) The public shall be notified of the suspension, revocation, modification or reinstatement of a training program's accreditation through appropriate mechanisms.

- (7) EPA shall maintain a list of parties whose accreditation has been suspended, revoked, modified or reinstated.
- (i) Training program recordkeeping requirements. (1) Accredited training programs shall maintain, and make available to <u>Executive Secretary or Executive Secretary's authorized representative EPA</u>, upon request, the following records:
- (i) All documents specified in paragraph (c)(4) of this section that demonstrate the qualifications listed in paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of this section of the training manager and principal instructors.
- (ii) Current curriculum/course materials and documents reflecting any changes made to these materials.
 - (iii) The course test blueprint.
- (iv) Information regarding how the hands-on assessment is conducted including, but not limited to:
 - (A) Who conducts the assessment.
 - (B) How the skills are graded.
 - (C) What facilities are used.
 - (D) The pass/fail rate.
 - (v) The quality control plan as described in paragraph (c)(9) of this section.
- (vi) Results of the students' hands-on skills assessments and course tests, and a record of each student's course completion certificate.
- (vii) Any other material not listed above in paragraphs (i)(1)(i) through (i)(1)(vi) of this section that was submitted to Executive Secretary EPA as part of the program's application for accreditation.
- (2) The training program shall retain these records at the address specified on the training program accreditation application (or as modified in accordance with paragraph (i)(3) of this section for a minimum of 3 years and 6 months.
- (3) The training program shall notify <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> in writing within 30 days of changing the address specified on its training program accreditation application or transferring the records from that address.

Sec. 745.226 Certification of individuals and firms engaged in lead-based paint activities: target housing and child-occupied facilities.

- (a) Certification of individuals. (1) Individuals seeking certification by <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA to engage in lead-based paint activities must either:
- (i) Submit to Executive Secretary EPA an application demonstrating that they meet the requirements established in paragraphs (b) or (c) of this section for the particular discipline for which certification is sought; or
- (ii) Submit to Executive Secretary EPA an application with a copy of a valid lead-based paint activities certification (or equivalent) from EPA or a State or Tribal program that has been authorized by EPA pursuant to subpart Q of this part.
 - (2) Individuals may first apply to Executive Secretary EPA for certification to engage in

lead-based paint activities pursuant to this section on or after March 1, 1999.

- (3) Following the submission of an application demonstrating that all the requirements of this section have been meet, <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> shall certify an applicant as an inspector, risk assessor, supervisor, project designer, or abatement worker, as appropriate.
- (4) Upon receiving <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> certification, individuals conducting lead-based paint activities shall comply with the work practice standards for performing the appropriate lead-based paint activities as established in Sec. 745.227.
- (5) It shall be a violation of TSCA for an individual to conduct any of the lead-based paint activities described in Sec. 745.227 after August 30, 1999, if that individual has not been certified by Executive Secretary EPA pursuant to this section to do so.
- (b) Inspector, risk assessor or supervisor. (1) To become certified by <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> as an inspector, risk assessor, or supervisor, pursuant to paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section, an individual must:
- (i) Successfully complete an accredited course in the appropriate discipline and receive a course completion certificate from an accredited training program.
- (ii) Pass the certification exam in the appropriate discipline offered by Executive Secretary EPA; and,
 - (iii) Meet or exceed the following experience and/or education requirements:
 - (A) Inspectors. (1) No additional experience and/or education requirements.
 - (2) [Reserved]
- (B) Risk assessors. (1) Successful completion of an accredited training course for inspectors; and
- (2) Bachelor's degree and 1 year of experience in a related field (e.g., lead, asbestos, environmental remediation work, or construction), or an Associates degree and 2 years experience in a related field (e.g., lead, asbestos, environmental remediation work, or construction); or
- (3) Certification as an industrial hygienist, professional engineer, registered architect and/or certification in a related engineering/health/environmental field (e.g., safety professional, environmental scientist); or
- (4) A high school diploma (or equivalent), and at least 3 years of experience in a related field (e.g., lead, asbestos, environmental remediation work or construction).
 - (C) Supervisor: (1) One year of experience as a certified lead-based paint abatement worker; or
- (2) At least 2 years of experience in a related field (e.g., lead, asbestos, or environmental remediation work) or in the building trades.
- (2) The following documents shall be recognized by Executive Secretary EPA as evidence of meeting the requirements listed in (b)(2)(iii) of this paragraph:
- (i) Official academic transcripts or diploma, as evidence of meeting the education requirements.
- (ii) Resumes, letters of reference, or documentation of work experience, as evidence of meeting the work experience requirements.
- (iii) Course completion certificates from lead-specific or other related training courses, issued by accredited training programs, as evidence of meeting the training requirements.
 - (3) In order to take the certification examination for a particular discipline an individual must:

- (i) Successfully complete an accredited course in the appropriate discipline and receive a course completion certificate from an accredited training program.
- (ii) Meet or exceed the education and/or experience requirements in paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this section.
- (4) The course completion certificate shall serve as interim certification for an individual until the next available opportunity to take the certification exam. Such interim certification shall expire 6 months after issuance.
- (5) After passing the appropriate certification exam and submitting an application demonstrating that he/she meets the appropriate training, education, and/or experience prerequisites described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, an individual shall be issued a certificate by Executive Secretary EPA. To maintain certification, an individual must be re-certified as described in paragraph (e) of this section.
- (6) An individual may take the certification exam no more than three times within 6 months of receiving a course completion certificate.
- (7) If an individual does not pass the certification exam and receive a certificate within 6 months of receiving his/her course completion certificate, the individual must retake the appropriate course from an accredited training program before reapplying for certification from Executive Secretary EPA.
- (c) Abatement worker and project designer. (1) To become certified by <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> as an abatement worker or project designer, pursuant to paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section, an individual must:
- (i) Successfully complete an accredited course in the appropriate discipline and receive a course completion certificate from an accredited training program.
 - (ii) Meet or exceed the following additional experience and/or education requirements:
 - (A) Abatement workers. (1) No additional experience and/or education requirements.
 - (2) [Reserved]
- (B) Project designers. (1) Successful completion of an accredited training course for supervisors.
- (2) Bachelor's degree in engineering, architecture, or a related profession, and 1 year of experience in building construction and design or a related field; or
 - (3) Four years of experience in building construction and design or a related field.
- (2) The following documents shall be recognized by <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA as evidence of meeting the requirements listed in this paragraph:
- (i) Official academic transcripts or diploma, as evidence of meeting the education requirements.
- (ii) Resumes, letters of reference, or documentation of work experience, as evidence of meeting the work experience requirements.
- (iii) Course completion certificates from lead-specific or other related training courses, issued by accredited training programs, as evidence of meeting the training requirements.
- (3) The course completion certificate shall serve as an interim certification until certification from Executive Secretary EPA is received, but shall be valid for no more than 6 months from the date of completion.
 - (4) After successfully completing the appropriate training courses and meeting any other

qualifications described in paragraph (c)(1) of this section, an individual shall be issued a certificate from Executive Secretary EPA. To maintain certification, an individual must be re-certified as described in paragraph (e) of this section.

- (d) Certification based on prior training. (1) Any individual who received training in a lead-based paint activity between October 1, 1990, and March 1, 1999 shall be eligible for certification by Executive Secretary EPA under the alternative procedures contained in this paragraph. Individuals who have received lead-based paint activities training at an EPA-authorized State or Tribal accredited training program shall also be eligible for certification by Executive Secretary EPA under the following alternative procedures:
 - (i) Applicants for certification as an inspector, risk assessor, or supervisor shall:
- (A) Demonstrate that the applicant has successfully completed training or on-the-job training in the conduct of a lead-based paint activity.
- (B) Demonstrate that the applicant meets or exceeds the education and/or experience requirements in paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this section.
- (C) Successfully complete an accredited refresher training course for the appropriate discipline.
- (D) Pass a certification exam administered by <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA for the appropriate discipline.
 - (ii) Applicants for certification as an abatement worker or project designer shall:
- (A) Demonstrate that the applicant has successfully completed training or on-the-job training in the conduct of a lead-based paint activity.
- (B) Demonstrate that the applicant meets the education and/or experience requirements in paragraphs (c)(1) of this section; and
- (C) Successfully complete an accredited refresher training course for the appropriate discipline.
- (2) Individuals shall have until August 30, 1999 to apply to Executive Secretary EPA for certification under the above procedures. After that date, all individuals wishing to obtain certification must do so through the procedures described in paragraph (a), and paragraph (b) or (c) of this section, according to the discipline for which certification is sought.
- (e) Re-certification. (1) To maintain certification in a particular discipline, a certified individual shall apply to and be re-certified by <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> in that discipline by <u>Executive Secretary</u> <u>EPA</u> either:
- (i) Every 3 years if the individual completed a training course with a course test and hands-on assessment; or
 - (ii) every 5 years if the individual completed a training course with a proficiency test.
- (2) An individual shall be re-certified if the individual successfully completes the appropriate accredited refresher training course and submits a valid copy of the appropriate refresher course completion certificate.
- (f) Certification of firms. (1) All firms which perform or offer to perform any of the lead-based paint activities described in Sec. 745.227 after August 30, 1999 shall be certified by <u>Executive</u> Secretary <u>EPA</u>.
- (2) A firm seeking certification shall submit to <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA a letter attesting that the firm shall only employ appropriately certified employees to conduct lead-based paint

activities, and that the firm and its employees shall follow the work practice standards in Sec. 745.227 for conducting lead-based paint activities.

- (3) From the date of receiving the firm's letter requesting certification, <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA shall have 90 days to approve or disapprove the firm's request for certification. Within that time, <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA shall respond with either a certificate of approval or a letter describing the reasons for a disapproval.
 - (4) The firm shall maintain all records pursuant to the requirements in Sec. 745.227.
- (5) Firms may first apply to <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA For certification to engage in lead-based paint activities pursuant to this section on or after March 1, 1999.
- (g) Suspension, revocation, and modification of certifications of individuals engaged in lead-based paint activities. (1) Executive Secretary EPA may, after notice and opportunity for hearing, suspend, revoke, or modify an individual's certification if an individual has:
 - (i) Obtained training documentation through fraudulent means.
- (ii) Gained admission to and completed an accredited training program through misrepresentation of admission requirements.
- (iii) Obtained certification through misrepresentation of certification requirements or related documents dealing with education, training, professional registration, or experience.
 - (iv) Performed work requiring certification at a job site without having proof of certification.
 - (v) Permitted the duplication or use of the individual's own certificate by another.
- (vi) Performed work for which certification is required, but for which appropriate certification has not been received.
- (vii) Failed to comply with the appropriate work practice standards for lead-based paint activities at Sec. 745.227.
 - (viii) Failed to comply with Federal, State, or local lead-based paint statutes or regulations.
- (2) In addition to an administrative or judicial finding of violation, for purposes of this section only, execution of a consent agreement in settlement of an enforcement action constitutes evidence of a failure to comply with relevant statutes or regulations.
- (h) Suspension, revocation, and modification of certifications of firms engaged in lead-based paint activities. (1) EPA may, after notice and opportunity for hearing, suspend, revoke, or modify a firm's certification if a firm has:
 - (i) Performed work requiring certification at a job site with individuals who are not certified.
 - (ii) Failed to comply with the work practice standards established in Sec. 745.227.
 - (iii) Misrepresented facts in its letter of application for certification to EPA.
 - (iv) Failed to maintain required records.
 - (v) Failed to comply with Federal, State, or local lead-based paint statutes or regulations.
- (2) In addition to an administrative or judicial finding of violation, for purposes of this section only, execution of a consent agreement in settlement of an enforcement action constitutes evidence of a failure to comply with relevant statutes or regulations.
- (i) Procedures for suspension, revocation, or modification of the certification of individuals or firms.
- (1) If EPA decides to suspend, revoke, or modify the certification of any individual or firm, it shall notify the affected entity in writing of the following:
- (i) The legal and factual basis for the suspension, revocation, or modification.

- (ii) The commencement date and duration of the suspension, revocation, or modification.
- (iii) Actions, if any, which the affected entity may take to avoid suspension, revocation, or modification or to receive certification in the future.
- (iv) The opportunity and method for requesting a hearing prior to final EPA action to suspend, revoke, or modify certification.
- (v) Any additional information, as appropriate, which EPA may provide.
- (2) If a hearing is requested by the certified individual or firm, EPA shall:
- (i) Provide the affected entity an opportunity to offer written statements in response to EPA's assertion of the legal and factual basis and any other explanations, comments, and arguments it deems relevant to the proposed action.
- (ii) Provide the affected entity such other procedural opportunities as EPA may deem appropriate to ensure a fair and impartial hearing.
- (iii) Appoint an official of EPA as Presiding Officer to conduct the hearing. No person shall serve as Presiding Officer if he or she has had any prior connection with the specific matter.
- (3) The Presiding Officer shall:
- (i) Conduct a fair, orderly, and impartial hearing within 90 days of the request for a hearing;
- (ii) Consider all relevant evidence, explanation, comment, and argument submitted; and
- (iii) Notify the affected entity in writing within 90 days of completion of the hearing of his or her decision and order. Such an order is a final EPA action subject to judicial review.
- (4) If EPA determines that the public health, interest, or welfare warrants immediate action to suspend the certification of any individual or firm prior to the opportunity for a hearing, it shall:
- (i) Notify the affected entity of its intent to immediately suspend certification for the reasons listed in paragraph (h)(1) of this section. If a suspension, revocation, or modification notice has not previously been issued, it shall be issued at the same time the immediate suspension notice is issued.
- (ii) Notify the affected entity in writing of the grounds upon which the immediate suspension is based and why it is necessary to suspend the entity's accreditation before an opportunity for a hearing to suspend, revoke, or modify the individual's or firm's certification.
- (iii) Notify the affected entity of the commencement date and duration of the immediate suspension.
- (iv) Notify the affected entity of its right to request a hearing on the immediate suspension within 15 days of the suspension taking place and the procedures for the conduct of such a hearing.
- (5) Any notice, decision, or order issued by EPA under this section, transcript or other verbatim record of oral testimony, and any documents filed by a certified individual or firm in a hearing under this section shall be available to the public, except as otherwise provided by section 14 of TSCA or by part 2 of this title. Any such hearing at which oral testimony is presented shall be open to the public, except that the Presiding Officer may exclude the public to the extent necessary to allow presentation of information which may be entitled to confidential treatment under section 14 of TSCA or part 2 of this title.

Sec. 745.227 Work practice standards for conducting lead-based paint activities: target housing

and child-occupied facilities.

- (a) Effective date, applicability, and terms. (1) Beginning on <u>August 30</u>, <u>March 1</u>, 1999, all lead-based paint activities shall be performed pursuant to the work practice standards contained in this section.
- (2) When performing any lead-based paint activity described by the certified individual as an inspection, lead-hazard screen, risk assessment or abatement, a certified individual must perform that activity in compliance with the appropriate requirements below.
- (3) Documented methodologies that are appropriate for this section are found in the following: The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Housing; the EPA Guidance on Residential Lead-Based Paint, Lead-Contaminated Dust, and Lead-Contaminated Soil; the EPA Residential Sampling for Lead: Protocols for Dust and Soil Sampling (EPA report number 7474-R-95-001); Regulations, guidance, methods or protocols issued by States and Indian Tribes that have been authorized by EPA; and other equivalent methods and guidelines.
- (4) Clearance levels are appropriate for the purposes of this section may be found in the EPA Guidance on Residential Lead-Based Paint, Lead-Contaminated Dust, and Lead Contaminated Soil or other equivalent guidelines.
- (b) Inspection. (1) An inspection shall be conducted only by a person certified by <u>Executive Secretary EPA</u> as an inspector or risk assessor and, if conducted, must be conducted according to the procedures in this paragraph.
- (2) When conducting an inspection, the following locations shall be selected according to documented methodologies and tested for the presence of lead-based paint:
- (i) In a residential dwelling and child-occupied facility, each component with a distinct painting history and each exterior component with a distinct painting history shall be tested for lead-based paint, except those components that the inspector or risk assessor determines to have been replaced after 1978, or to not contain lead-based paint; and
- (ii) In a multi-family dwelling or child-occupied facility, each component with a distinct painting history in every common area, except those components that the inspector or risk assessor determines to have been replaced after 1978, or to not contain lead-based paint.
- (3) Paint shall be sampled in the following manner: (i) The analysis of paint to determine the presence of lead shall be conducted using documented methodologies which incorporate adequate quality control procedures; and/or
- (ii) All collected paint chip samples shall be analyzed according to paragraph (f) of this section to determine if they contain detectable levels of lead that can be quantified numerically.
- (4) The certified inspector or risk assessor shall prepare an inspection report which shall include the following information:
 - (i) Date of each inspection.
 - (ii) Address of building.
 - (iii) Date of construction.
 - (iv) Apartment numbers (if applicable).
- (v) Name, address, and telephone number of the owner or owners of each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility.

- (vi) Name, signature, and certification number of each certified inspector and/or risk assessor conducting testing.
- (vii) Name, address, and telephone number of the certified firm employing each inspector and/or risk assessor, if applicable.
- (viii) Each testing method and device and/or sampling procedure employed for paint analysis, including quality control data and, if used, the serial number of any x-ray fluorescence (XRF) device.
 - (ix) Specific locations of each painted component tested for the presence of lead-based paint.
 - (x) The results of the inspection expressed in terms appropriate to the sampling method used.
- (c) Lead hazard screen. (1) A lead hazard screen shall be conducted only by a person certified by Executive Secretary EPA as a risk assessor.
 - (2) If conducted, a lead hazard screen shall be conducted as \follows:
- (i) Background information regarding the physical characteristics of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and occupant use patterns that may cause lead-based paint exposure to one or more children age 6 years and under shall be collected.
- (ii) A visual inspection of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility shall be conducted to:
 - (A) Determine if any deteriorated paint is present, and
 - (B) Locate at least two dust sampling locations.
- (iii) If deteriorated paint is present, each surface with deteriorated paint, which is determined, using documented methodologies, to be in poor condition and to have a distinct painting history, shall be tested for the presence of lead.
- (iv) In residential dwellings, two composite dust samples shall be collected, one from the floors and the other from the windows, in rooms, hallways or stairwells where one or more children, age 6 and under, are most likely to come in contact with dust.
- (v) In multi-family dwellings and child-occupied facilities, in addition to the floor and window samples required in paragraph (c)(1)(iii) of this section, the risk assessor shall also collect composite dust samples from common areas where one or more children, age 6 and under, are most likely to come into contact with dust.
 - (3) Dust samples shall be collected and analyzed in the following manner:
- (i) All dust samples shall be taken using documented methodologies that incorporate adequate quality control procedures.
- (ii) All collected dust samples shall be analyzed according to paragraph (f) of this section to determine if they contain detectable levels of lead that can be quantified numerically.
- (4) Paint shall be sampled in the following manner: (i) The analysis of paint to determine the presence of lead shall be conducted using documented methodologies which incorporate adequate quality control procedures; and/or
- (ii) All collected paint chip samples shall be analyzed according to paragraph (f) of this section to determine if they contain detectable levels of lead that can be quantified numerically.
- (5) The risk assessor shall prepare a lead hazard screen report, which shall include the following information:
- (i) The information required in a risk assessment report as specified in paragraph (d) of this section, including paragraphs (d)(11)(i) through (d)(11)(xiv), and excluding paragraphs

- (d)(11)(xv) through (d)(11)(xviii) of this section. Additionally, any background information collected pursuant to paragraph (c)(2)(i) of this section shall be included in the risk assessment report; and
- (ii) Recommendations, if warranted, for a follow-up risk assessment, and as appropriate, any further actions.
- (d) Risk assessment. (1) A risk assessment shall be conducted only by a person certified by Executive Secretary EPA as a risk assessor and, if conducted, must be conducted according to the procedures in this paragraph.
- (2) A visual inspection for risk assessment of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility shall be undertaken to locate the existence of deteriorated paint, assess the extent and causes of the deterioration, and other potential lead-based paint hazards.
- (3) Background information regarding the physical characteristics of the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and occupant use patterns that may cause lead-based paint exposure to one or more children age 6 years and under shall be collected.
- (4) Each surface with deteriorated paint, which is determined, using documented methodologies, to be in poor condition and to have a distinct painting history, shall be tested for the presence of lead. Each other surface determined, using documented methodologies, to be a potential lead-based paint hazard and having a distinct painting history, shall also be tested for the presence of lead.
- (5) In residential dwellings, dust samples (either composite or single-surface samples) from the window and floor shall be collected in all living areas where one or more children, age 6 and under, are most likely to come into contact with dust.
- (6) For multi-family dwellings and child-occupied facilities, the samples required in paragraph (d)(4) of this section shall be taken. In addition, window and floor dust samples (either composite or single-surface samples) shall be collected in the following locations:
 - (i) Common areas adjacent to the sampled residential dwelling or child-occupied facility; and
- (ii) Other common areas in the building where the risk assessor determines that one or more children, age 6 and under, are likely to come into contact with dust.
- (7) For child-occupied facilities, window and floor dust samples (either composite or single-surface samples) shall be collected in each room, hallway or stairwell utilized by one or more children, age 6 and under, and in other common areas in the child-occupied facility where the risk assessor determines one or more children, age 6 and under, are likely to come into contact with dust.
- (8) Soil samples shall be collected and analyzed for lead concentrations in the following locations:
 - (i) Exterior play areas where bare soil is present; and
 - (ii) Dripline/foundation areas where bare soil is present.
- (9) Any paint, dust, or soil sampling or testing shall be conducted using documented methodologies that incorporate adequate quality control procedures.
- (10) Any collected paint chip, dust, or soil samples shall be analyzed according to paragraph (f) of this section to determine if they contain detectable levels of lead that can be quantified numerically.
 - (11) The certified risk assessor shall prepare a risk assessment report which shall include the

following information:

- (i) Date of assessment.
- (ii) Address of each building.
- (iii) Date of construction of buildings.
- (iv) Apartment number (if applicable).
- (v) Name, address, and telephone number of each owner of each building.
- (vi) Name, signature, and certification of the certified risk assessor conducting the assessment.
- (vii) Name, address, and telephone number of the certified firm employing each certified risk assessor if applicable.
- (viii) Name, address, and telephone number of each recognized laboratory conducting analysis of collected samples.
 - (ix) Results of the visual inspection.
 - (x) Testing method and sampling procedure for paint analysis employed.
 - (xi) Specific locations of each painted component tested for the presence of lead.
- (xii) All data collected from on-site testing, including quality control data and, if used, the serial number of any XRF device.
 - (xiii) All results of laboratory analysis on collected paint, soil, and dust samples.
 - (xiv) Any other sampling results.
 - (xv) Any background information collected pursuant to paragraph (d)(3) of this section.
- (xvi) To the extent that they are used as part of the lead-based paint hazard determination, the results of any previous inspections or analyses for the presence of lead-based paint, or other assessments of lead-based paint-related hazards.
- (xvii) A description of the location, type, and severity of identified lead-based paint hazards and any other potential lead hazards.
- (xviii) A description of interim controls and/or abatement options for each identified lead-based paint hazard and a suggested prioritization for addressing each hazard. If the use of an encapsulant or enclosure is recommended, the report shall recommend a maintenance and monitoring schedule for the encapsulant or enclosure.
- (e) Abatement. (1) An abatement shall be conducted only by an individual certified by Executive Secretary EPA, and if conducted, shall be conducted according to the procedures in this paragraph.
- (2) A certified supervisor is required for each abatement project and shall be onsite during all work site preparation and during the post-abatement cleanup of work areas. At all other times when abatement activities are being conducted, the certified supervisor shall be onsite or available by telephone, pager or answering service, and able to be present at the work site in no more than 2 hours.
- (3) The certified supervisor and the certified firm employing that supervisor shall ensure that all abatement activities are conducted according to the requirements of this section and all other Federal, State and local requirements.
- (4) Notification of the commencement of lead-based paint abatement activities in a residential dwelling or child-occupied facility or as a result of a Federal, State, or local order shall be given to Executive Secretary EPA prior to the commencement of abatement activities. The procedure for this notification will be developed by EPA prior to August 31, 1998.

- (5) A written occupant protection plan shall be developed for all abatement projects and shall be prepared according to the following procedures:
- (i) The occupant protection plan shall be unique to each residential dwelling or child-occupied facility and be developed prior to the abatement. The occupant protection plan shall describe the measures and management procedures that will be taken during the abatement to protect the building occupants from exposure to any lead-based paint hazards.
 - (ii) A certified supervisor or project designer shall prepare the occupant protection plan.
 - (6) The work practices listed below shall be restricted during an abatement as follows:
 - (i) Open-flame burning or torching of lead-based paint is prohibited;
- (ii) Machine sanding or grinding or abrasive blasting or sandblasting of lead-based paint is prohibited unless used with High Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) exhaust control which removes particles of 0.3 microns or larger from the air at 99.97 percent or greater efficiency;
- (iii) Dry scraping of lead-based paint is permitted only in conjunction with heat guns or around electrical outlets or when treating defective paint spots totaling no more than 2 square feet in any one room, hallway or stairwell or totaling no more than 20 square feet on exterior surfaces; and
- (iv) Operating a heat gun on lead-based paint is permitted only at temperatures below 1100 degrees Fahrenheit.
 - (7) If conducted, soil abatement shall be conducted in one of the following ways:
- (i) If soil is removed, the lead-contaminated soil shall be replaced with soil that is not lead-contaminated; or
- (ii) If soil is not removed, the lead-contaminated soil shall be permanently covered, as defined in Sec. 745.223.
- (8) The following post-abatement clearance procedures shall be performed only by a certified inspector or risk assessor:
- (i) Following an abatement, a visual inspection shall be performed to determine if deteriorated painted surfaces and/or visible amounts of dust, debris or residue are still present. If deteriorated painted surfaces or visible amounts of dust, debris or residue are present, these conditions must be eliminated prior to the continuation of the clearance procedures.
- (ii) Following the visual inspection and any post-abatement cleanup required by paragraph (e)(8)(i) of this section, clearance sampling for lead-contaminated dust shall be conducted. Clearance sampling may be conducted by employing single-surface sampling or composite sampling techniques.
- (iii) Dust samples for clearance purposes shall be taken using documented methodologies that incorporate adequate quality control procedures.
- (iv) Dust samples for clearance purposes shall be taken a minimum of 1 hour after completion of final post-abatement cleanup activities.
- (v) The following post-abatement clearance activities shall be conducted as appropriate based upon the extent or manner of abatement activities conducted in or to the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility:
- (A) After conducting an abatement with containment between abated and unabated areas, one dust sample shall be taken from one window (if available) and one dust sample shall be taken from the floor of no less than four rooms, hallways or stairwells within the containment area. In addition, one dust sample shall be taken from the floor outside the containment area. If there are

less than four rooms, hallways or stairwells within the containment area, then all rooms, hallways or stairwells shall be sampled.

- (B) After conducting an abatement with no containment, two dust samples shall be taken from no less than four rooms, hallways or stairwells in the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility. One dust sample shall be taken from one window (if available) and one dust sample shall be taken from the floor of each room, hallway or stairwell selected. If there are less than four rooms, hallways or stairwells within the residential dwelling or child-occupied facility then all rooms, hallways or stairwells shall be sampled.
- (C) Following an exterior paint abatement, a visible inspection shall be conducted. All horizontal surfaces in the outdoor living area closest to the abated surface shall be found to be cleaned of visible dust and debris. In addition, a visual inspection shall be conducted to determine the presence of paint chips on the dripline or next to the foundation below any exterior surface abated. If paint chips are present, they must be removed from the site and properly disposed of, according to all applicable Federal, State and local requirements.
- (vi) The rooms, hallways or stairwells selected for sampling shall be selected according to documented methodologies.
- (vii) The certified inspector or risk assessor shall compare the residual lead level (as determined by the laboratory analysis) from each dust sample with applicable clearance levels for lead in dust on floors and windows. If the residual lead levels in a dust sample exceed the clearance levels, all the components represented by the failed sample shall be recleaned and retested until clearance levels are met.
- (9) In a multi-family dwelling with similarly constructed and maintained residential dwellings, random sampling for the purposes of clearance may be conducted provided:
- (i) The certified individuals who abate or clean the residential dwellings do not know which residential dwelling will be selected for the random sample.
- (ii) A sufficient number of residential dwellings are selected for dust sampling to provide a 95 percent level of confidence that no more than 5 percent or 50 of the residential dwellings (whichever is smaller) in the randomly sampled population exceed the appropriate clearance levels.
- (iii) The randomly selected residential dwellings shall be sampled and evaluated for clearance according to the procedures found in paragraph (e)(8) of this section.
- (10) An abatement report shall be prepared by a certified supervisor or project designer. The abatement report shall include the following information:
 - (i) Start and completion dates of abatement.
- (ii) The name and address of each certified firm conducting the abatement and the name of each supervisor assigned to the abatement project.
 - (iii) The occupant protection plan prepared pursuant to paragraph (e)(5) of this section.
- (iv) The name, address, and signature of each certified risk assessor or inspector conducting clearance sampling and the date of clearance testing.
- (v) The results of clearance testing and all soil analyses (if applicable) and the name of each recognized laboratory that conducted the analyses.
- (vi) A detailed written description of the abatement, including abatement methods used, locations of rooms and/or components where abatement occurred, reason for selecting particular

abatement methods for each component, and any suggested monitoring of encapsulants or enclosures.

- (f) Collection and laboratory analysis of samples. Any paint chip, dust, or soil samples collected pursuant to the work practice standards contained in this section shall be:
- (1) Collected by persons certified by <u>Executive Secretary</u> EPA as an inspector or risk assessor; and
- (2) Analyzed by a laboratory recognized by EPA pursuant to section 405(b) of TSCA as being capable of performing analyses for lead compounds in paint chip, dust, and soil samples.
- (g) Composite dust sampling. Composite dust sampling may only be conducted in the situations specified in paragraphs (c) through (e) of this section. If such sampling is conducted, the following conditions shall apply:
 - (1) Composite dust samples shall consist of at least two subsamples;
 - (2) Every component that is being tested shall be included in the sampling; and
- (3) Composite dust samples shall not consist of subsamples from more than one type of component.
- (h) Recordkeeping. All reports or plans required in this section shall be maintained by the certified firm or individual who prepared the report for no fewer than 3 years. The certified firm or individual also shall provide copies of these reports to the building owner who contracted for its services.

Sec. 745.228 Accreditation of training programs: public and commercial buildings, bridges and superstructures [Reserved].

Sec. 745.229 Certification of individuals and firms engaged in lead-based paint activities: public and commercial buildings, bridges and superstructures [Reserved].

Sec. 745.230 Work practice standards for conducting lead-based paint activities: public and commercial buildings, bridges and superstructures [Reserved].

Sec. 745.233 Lead-based paint activities requirements.

Lead-based paint activities, as defined in this part, shall only be conducted according to the procedures and work practice standards contained in Sec. 745.227 of this subpart. No individual or firm may offer to perform or perform any lead-based paint activity as defined in this part, unless certified to perform that activity according to the procedures in Sec. 745.226.

Sec. 745.235 Enforcement.

- (a) Failure or refusal to comply with any requirement of Secs. 745.225, 745.226, 745.227, or 745.233 is a prohibited act under sections 15 and 409 of TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2614, 2689).
- (b) Failure or refusal to establish, maintain, provide, copy, or permit access to records or reports as required by Secs. 745.225, 745.226, or 745.227 is a prohibited act under sections 15 and 409 of TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2614, 2689).
- (c) Failure or refusal to permit entry or inspection as required by Sec. 745.237 and section 11 of TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2610) is a prohibited act under sections 15 and 409 of TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2614, 2689).
- (d) In addition to the above, any individual or firm that performs any of the following acts shall be deemed to have committed a prohibited act under sections 15 and 409 of TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2614, 2689). These include the following:
- (i) Obtaining certification through fraudulent representation;
- (ii) Failing to obtain certification from EPA and performing work requiring certification at a job site; or
- (iii) Fraudulently obtaining certification and engaging in any lead-based paint activities requiring certification.
- (e) Violators are subject to civil and criminal sanctions pursuant to section 16 of TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2615) for each violation.

Sec. 745.237 Inspections.

EPA may conduct reasonable inspections pursuant to the provisions of section 11 of TSCA (15 U.S.C. 2610) to ensure compliance with this subpart.

Sec. 745.239 Effective dates.

- This subpart L shall apply in any State or Indian Country that does not have an authorized program under subpart Q, effective August 31, 1998. In such States or Indian Country:
- (a) Training programs shall not provide, offer or claim to provide training or refresher training for certification without accreditation from EPA pursuant to Sec. 745.225 on or after March 1, 1999.
- (b) No individual or firm shall perform, offer, or claim to perform lead-based paint activities, as defined in this subpart, without certification from EPA to conduct such activities pursuant to Sec. 745.226 on or after August 30, 1999.
- (c) All lead-based paint activities shall be performed pursuant to the work practice standards contained in Sec. 745.227 on or after August 30, 1999.